1   **DATA PROCESSING SYSTEMS**

2   **ABSTRACT**

3   Methods, apparatus and systems for controlling access to an
4   object in a data processing system comprises: receiving a
5   request to access the object from a task; classifying the
6   access request into one of critical and non-critical classes
7   in dependence on stored access control data associated with
8   the object and the task; granting the task access to the
9   object and storing data indicative of the access in an
10   access log if the access is classified into the non-critical
11   class; and in the event that the access is classified into
12   the critical class, granting or denying the task access to
13   the object in dependence on the contents of the access log
14   and the stored access control data.